



Dear Children,

It is so wonderful to see you again! It seems like I've been gone for years! Did you know that time at Santa's workshop in the North Pole goes even slower than it does here? How else could we have the time we need to make the millions of toys for the millions of kids all around the world?

I've heard a lot has happened in your family since I was here last. You'll have to fill me in on all the details. I get very busy at the North Pole making toys, and I didn't get as many chances to check in on you as I'd hoped.

I hope you have lots of fun things planned to get ready for Christmas! Oh boy! This is my favorite time of year!

Now remember, Santa sent me here to watch you children and make sure you're being good. I'll know if you've been helping your mom by doing everything she asks. I'll hear you if you use mean words or nice words when you speak to one another. I'll know if you have been cleaning up your clothes and toys.

And I tell *everything* I see to Santa. That's how he knows what to bring you for Christmas. If you try your hardest to help around the house and be kind, I'll tell Santa to put you on the "good" list.

So be on your best behavior, help others around you, and be MERRY!

Love,

Your personal Elf